



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R.  
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EXAMINING GROUP 3739**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant:** Nobuyuki Furukawa      **Examiner:** Matthew John Kasztejna  
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